

Exhibit 7

Trends in Pharmacy Costs and Utilization: Central Nervous System Drugs Aged, Blind and Disabled Aid Categories Only

Los Angeles County Fee for Service Enrollees (excludes non-FFP aid categories)

EDS processed pharmacy claims and state drug/supply codes paid through June 30, 1999

Years shown based on date of service; excludes Medicare crossover claims

1997 Avg Monthly Eligibles: 389,062
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% chg: 0%

	Total Expenditures (000s)		
	1997	1998	% chg
Antianxiety Agents	\$5,392	\$6,399	19%
Antidepressants	\$17,371	\$23,035	33%
Antipsychotics	\$31,723	\$58,870	86%
Hypnotics	\$3,640	\$4,998	37%
Stimulants	\$367	\$418	14%
Misc. CNS	\$929	\$1,340	44%
TOTAL	\$59,421	\$95,061	60%

Net Increase/Decrease (000s)		
	\$1,007	
	\$5,664	
	\$27,147	
	\$1,358	
	\$52	
	\$411	
	\$35,640	

Total Prescriptions		
1997	1998	% chg
146,215	151,929	4%
377,402	423,345	12%
502,771	544,764	8%
259,463	274,961	6%
6,576	6,896	5%
40,376	38,418	-5%
1,332,803	1,440,313	8%

	PMPM		
	1997	1998	% chg
Antianxiety Agents	\$1.15	\$1.36	18%
Antidepressants	\$3.72	\$4.91	32%
Antipsychotics	\$6.79	\$12.55	85%
Hypnotics	\$0.78	\$1.07	37%
Stimulants	\$0.08	\$0.09	14%
Misc. CNS	\$0.20	\$0.29	44%
TOTAL	\$12.73	\$20.27	59%

Prescriptions per 1,000		
1997	1998	% chg
376	389	3%
970	1,083	12%
1,292	1,394	8%
667	704	6%
17	18	4%
104	98	-5%
3,426	3,686	8%

Cost per Prescription		
1997	1998	% chg
\$36.87	\$42.12	14%
\$46.03	\$54.41	18%
\$63.10	\$108.07	71%
\$14.03	\$18.18	30%
\$55.76	\$60.67	9%
\$23.01	\$34.88	52%
\$44.58	\$66.00	48%